

pany and Statesville and Mt. Airy Turnpike Company shall give good and sufficient bonds for the proper clothing and provisioning of said convicts, said bonds to be given to the directors of the State Penitentiary: *And provided further*, That whenever any convicts are assigned and detailed to work on said railroad or turnpike, the directors of the Penitentiary shall detail a sufficient number of guds to take care of said convicts, and superintend their safe keeping during their absence from the Penitentiary: *And provided further*, That a steward shall be appointed by the directors of the Penitentiary to issue rations furnished to said convicts by said railroad and turnpike companies, and the pay or salary of said steward shall be fixed by the board of the Penitentiary, and shall be paid by the said railroad and turnpike companies: *And provided further*, That a monthly report of the number and general condition of the detailed convicts shall be furnished by said railroad and turnpike companies to the officers of the State Penitentiary. Proper medicines and medical attention shall also be supplied to the said convicts by said railroad and turnpike companies, whenever the convicts shall require the same."

The section thus amended, was, on motion of Mr. Bennett, stricken from the bill.

Section 17 was read, and, on motion of Mr. Bowman, stricken out.

The remaining sections of the bill were read and adopted.

The question recurring upon the passage of the bill, Mr. Jones, of Caldwell, moved to strike out the 13th section and insert the following:

"In case the consolidation provided for in this act shall be effected, then such consolidated line shall be operated as one line. But the company shall have full power to extend the right to any other railroad company to run trains over any